

# PRIME TIMES

learning and growing for a lifetime

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Contact Michelle McDonnell at 757-7382 or  
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### Race for Education

Sunday, November 8, 2 p.m.

Fee: \$20 advance registration

\$25 race day registration

Location: Cameron Brown Park

8628 Farmington Boulevard

Join the Shelby County Schools Education Foundation for entertainment and fun for everyone. Proceeds benefit Shelby County Schools. Register on-line at [raceforeducation.com](http://raceforeducation.com). For more information or to volunteer, contact April Strand at 355-3227, [lrpaenna@aol.com](mailto:lrpaenna@aol.com) or [SCSrace4ed@aol.com](mailto:SCSrace4ed@aol.com). No rain date.

### Holiday Tree Lighting

Friday, November 27

Outdoor festivities begin at 5 p.m., tree lighting at 5:30 p.m.

Location: Municipal Park Lake

1900 South Germantown Road

Municipal Square will be illuminated with seasonal cheer as families and friends gather at the lake to visit live reindeer, sing carols, roast marshmallows and enjoy the much-anticipated lighting of the tree. Inside Municipal Center, revelers can visit Santa Claus and enjoy light refreshments and warm cider. No rain date.

### Journey to the North Pole

Thursday, December 3, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Friday, December 4, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Age: All children accompanied by an adult

Fee: \$4 per person

Location: Great Hall

1900 South Germantown Road

Create wonderful holiday memories with an enchanted trip to the North Pole. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit the Parks and Recreation office or call 757-7375. Germantown Civitan Club co-sponsors the event.

### Germantown Holiday Parade

Saturday, December 12, 2 p.m.

The traditional holiday parade features decorated floats, horses, youth groups, car clubs, local marching bands and an appearance by Santa Claus. Beginning at the corner of Kimbrough Road and Farmington Boulevard, the parade proceeds west on Farmington Boulevard to Exeter Road, turns north on Exeter Road and ends at Germantown Athletic Club. For more information or to participate, contact Denise Griffin at 757-7375 or [dgriffin@germantown-tn.gov](mailto:dgriffin@germantown-tn.gov).

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## Fourteenth Annual Germantown Senior Expo

Thursday, November 5, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Location: Germantown Athletic Club, 1801 Exeter Road

The expo offers an opportunity to meet experts from government, non-profit and private organizations with products and services to improve life. Enjoy free coffee from Java Coffee, soda from Coca-Cola, sweets from Costco and pizza from Garibaldi's. Participate in the cake walk or enter the putting contest. Door prizes are awarded throughout the day. The expo is presented by the Germantown Senior Citizen Advisory Commission. For more information contact Denise Griffin at 757-7375 or [dgriffin@germantown-tn.gov](mailto:dgriffin@germantown-tn.gov).



Journey to the North Pole

# Arts and Learning

## GPAC

Germantown Performing Arts Centre is located at 1801 Exeter Road. For tickets, call 751-7500 or visit GPACweb.com.

### IRIS Orchestra – Jeremy Denk, piano

Saturday, November 14, 8 p.m.

Tickets: \$45 (plus handling fee)

Featuring music by Daugherty, Schumann and Mendelssohn

### Germantown Symphony Orchestra's Young Artists Concerto

Saturday, November 21, 8 p.m.

Tickets: \$8 students and seniors; \$10 adults (plus handling fee)

Winners of the eighth annual GSO Concerto Competition will be the featured soloists: Andrew Clark, clarinet, Carrie Green, flute, Mary Aubrey Landrum, harp and Elen Wroten, cello. This is a perfect concert for the entire family.

### Holiday Concert

#### featuring Germantown Symphony Orchestra and Germantown Chorus

Saturday, December 19, 7 p.m.

Tickets: Adults \$12, children and seniors \$10 (plus handling fee)

Join the Germantown Symphony and Chorus for the concert that has become a family tradition.

### GPAC Youth Symphony Orchestra

Sunday, December 20, 3 p.m.

Tickets: Call 751-7500

Don't miss the concert debut of the GPAC Youth Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Pu-Qi Jiang.

## Germantown Community Theatre

GCT is located at 3037 Forest Hill Irene Road. Show times are Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. For ticket information call 754-2680 or visit [germantowncommunitytheatre.org](http://germantowncommunitytheatre.org).

### The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

December 1 to 18, 2009

Call 754-2680 for a show schedule.

When all of the mean, rude Herdman children end up in the annual Christmas pageant, its destined to be the worst ever. Or is it? Could it be that the 'greatest story ever told' has something for everyone, even the Herdmans? Daytime only performances are perfect for field trips or other school outings.

### Nuncrackers: The Nunsense Christmas Musical

December 4 to 20, 2009

Thursdays 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 8 p.m. and Sundays 2:30 p.m.

Christmastime is nunsense time! Join the Little Sisters of Hoboken, Father Virgil and the children of Mt. St. Helens School as they put on their very own TV special. You'll vow to see it again and again.

## Adult Enrichment Classes

Register at the Parks and Recreation office, 2276 West Street, at least one week before the class start date. Space is limited.

### Get Fired Up with Fused Glass

Monday, November 16, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Age: 15 years and older

Fee: \$15 per person

Location: Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike

Fused glass involves melting pieces of glass together in a kiln to form a unique work of art. Students will learn the different types of fusing techniques and will make holiday ornaments and jewelry. This is a great class to make unique art or a gift. Space is limited. For information, call Brian Maness at 757-7389 or [bmaness@germantown-tn.gov](mailto:bmaness@germantown-tn.gov).

### In the Garden Series

Co-sponsored by Germantown Beautification Commission

All classes take place at Good Winds Garden Center, 2238 Sunset Road.

### Staghorn Fern Mounted In Wood Slat Basket

Tuesday, November 3, 10 a.m. or 6 p.m.

Fee: \$20

A staghorn fern, wood slat basket and sphagnum moss will be provided. Register by Friday, October 30.

### Fresh Holiday Door Wreath

Tuesday, December 1, 10 a.m. or 6 p.m.

Fee: \$25

Every door needs a wreath during the holidays. Students will be provided with a fresh Frasier wreath, ribbon and decorations. Students are welcome to bring other decorative items. Register by Friday, November 27.

## Union University Partnership

All classes are conducted at the Germantown campus, 2745 Hacks Cross Road. For more information, call 757-7375.

### Holiday Tunes for the Mountain Dulcimer

Tuesdays, November 3, 10 and 17, 7 to 8:20 p.m.

Fee: \$70

Players will learn four traditional holiday tune arrangements. All players are welcome. Loaner dulcimers are available. For more information, contact Lee Cagle at 877-7763 or visit [LeeCagleDulcimers.com](http://LeeCagleDulcimers.com)

### Instant Piano for Hopelessly Busy People

Monday, December 7, 6 to 9:30 pm

Fee: \$49 plus a \$25 materials fee payable to the instructor on the first day of class

This course is for those who yearn to experience the joy of playing piano, but don't have time for years of weekly lessons. In just one enjoyable evening, students will learn enough secrets of the trade to make piano playing a part of life by learning chords, not notes. Learn all the chords needed to play any song, any style and in any key. Insider secrets will be shared. This is an absolutely beginning class in piano chord techniques. Those who can find middle C and know the meaning of "every good boy does fine", know enough to enroll. If not, send a self addressed stamped envelope for a free pamphlet to Music Masters, 90 Molly Lane, Ringgold, GA 30736.



# 50+ Group

All activities are held at Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike, unless otherwise noted. Register for all classes and programs at the Parks and Recreation office, 2276 West Street. For information, contact Regina Allen at 751-5656 or [regina@germantown-tn.gov](mailto:regina@germantown-tn.gov).

## Regularly Scheduled Activities

### Mixed Media Artists

Mondays, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Fee: \$2

Rubber stampers and artists meet to enjoy non-instructional art time. Bring lunch.

### Social Party Bridge

Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fee: \$2

Bring lunch. A partner is not necessary.

### Germantown Bridge Club

Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

Fee: \$4

Bring lunch and a partner for an ACBL sanctioned game.

### Get in Line: Line Dancing

Thursdays, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Fee: \$2

Intermediate classes begin September 10 and beginner classes start September 17. Call Laura Austin at 744-0792 or Markanna Small at 758-2598 for more information.

### Potluck and Bingo

First Thursday of each month, noon

Fee: \$1, a gift worth \$1 and a main dish or dessert

### Evening Ballroom Dances

Second Tuesday of each month, 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Fee: \$5 and a dish

A partner is not necessary. Music is provided by JumpStart.

### Square Dancing 101

Second Wednesday of each month, 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Fee: Free

Experience great fun and low impact exercise. For more information, contact Moree Baranski at 683-1206 or Jim Bobo at 604-2733.

### Evening Line Dances

September 19 and October 16, 7 p.m.

Fee: \$4

Music is provided by Larry Logan.

### Games Day

Fourth Thursday of each month, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fee: \$2

Bring lunch.

## Learning Opportunities

### Christmas Ornament and Jewelry Class

Thursday, November 19, 10 a.m. to noon

Fee: \$15

Location: Pickering Center

7771 Poplar Pike

Fused glass involves melting multiple pieces of glass together in a kiln to form a unique work of art. Participants will learn different types of fusing techniques and have the opportunity to make several pieces.

### Computer Basics and Introduction to the Internet

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11:30 a.m.

November 10 to 19

Fee: \$50 per person for four-class course

Location: Municipal Center

1930 South Germantown Road

This class is ideal for those learning to use a computer.

### Introduction to Power Point

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:30 to 3 p.m.

November 10 to 19

Fee: \$50 per person for four-class course

Location: Municipal Center

1930 South Germantown Road

Learn to create a basic slide presentation for a group or special event. Basic computer usage skills are required.

### Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2007

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12:30 to 3 p.m.

December 1 to 10

Fee: \$50 per person for four-class course

Location: Municipal Center

1930 South Germantown Road

Explore the Excel 2007 program window and become familiar with spreadsheet elements.

### Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 11:30 a.m.

December 1 to 10

Fee: \$50 per person for four-class course

Location: Municipal Center

1930 South Germantown Road

Introduction to Microsoft Word features working with a document, editing, moving and copying text, formatting text, paragraphs and pages, printing documents and labels, adding tables, graphics and much more.

## Get Away Days

Day trips are limited to 12 participants. Registration is available on a first come, first served basis and closes one week prior to departure.

### Lambert's Café, "Home of the Throled Rolls"

Thursday, November 12, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fee: \$5 cash for transportation, lunch on your own at Lambert's

From the festive atmosphere and the mule-ish décor to the flying food, this is a see-it-to-believe-it experience. After lunch, visit the cobblestoned streets of historic downtown Sikeston. The Sikeston Depot, once a railroad depot, now depicts the history of the area. There will be time for shopping and driving by historical homes.

### Holiday Lunch and Tour of Davies Manor Plantation and the Gotten House

Friday, December 11, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fee: \$18 cash, includes lunch and transportation

Davies Manor Plantation is the oldest log house in Shelby County still open to the public. After leaving the plantation, take a short drive to see the historic Gotten House, built in 1871 by Nicholas Gotten, a veteran of the Civil War.

## Adventure Series

### Montreal and Quebec City

Saturday to Sunday, June 5 to 13

Fee: \$830, \$75 deposit due upon registration, includes motorcoach transportation, eight nights lodging, 13 meals and guided tours of Montreal and Quebec City

See Montmorency Falls, tour the St. Anne De Beaupre Shrine and the Notre Dame Basilica. Visit the Olympic Park in Montreal. Visit the Underground City in Montreal and enjoy free time.

Montmorency Falls, Quebec



# Germantown Community Library

## Library Cards

A library card is available at no charge to Germantown residents, full-time employees of the City of Germantown, students and staff in Germantown K-12 schools, Germantown business owners, active military personnel and members of the Tennessee Genealogical Society. All others pay \$50 for a yearly membership card.

## Books By Mail

Germantown Community Library now offers Books by Mail, a free service for homebound seniors. The library will mail regular print, large print or audio books to Germantown residents, age 60 or older, who are confined at home. There is no charge for shipping or return of library materials. For full details about the Books by Mail program or to request an application, call 757-7323.

## Friends of the Germantown Community Library Bookstore

Visit the Friends Bookstore to find gently used adult and children's books, videos, DVDs and recorded books. Prices range from \$.50 to \$2. Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Closed Sunday.

## Programs

Programs are free, but space may be limited. Pre-registration is required unless otherwise noted and begins three weeks prior to each event. Call 757-7323.

### Novelist Plus Database Demonstration

Thursday, November 19  
10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.  
Join reference staff to learn about the Novelist Plus Database. No pre-registration is required.

### Being Creative in Word

Tuesday, November 24  
10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.  
Learn to design cards, flyers and signs in Microsoft Word 2007. Download and install fonts, pictures, graphics, and templates to make your projects more fun.

### OpenOffice

Thursday, December 3  
10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.  
Learn how to use OpenOffice, a free alternative to Microsoft Office, to create resumes, household budgets and more.

## Germantown Regional History and Genealogy Center

The Center, at 7779 Poplar Pike, serves as a repository and research center for historic materials. Call 757-8480 for information.

Programs are free and open to the public, but space may be limited. Pre-registration is required unless otherwise noted and begins three weeks prior to the event.

### Veteran's Day Program

Saturday, November 7, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Come to the Pickering Center, 7771 Poplar Pike, for a seminar on history and genealogy. No registration is required for this program.

### Free Email

Monday, November 9, 10:30 a.m.  
Learn how to obtain a free email account and to use it to send resumes, pictures and more.

### Buying a Computer

Monday, December 14, 10:30 a.m.  
Learn how to get the best deal when buying a computer.

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